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In re Application of:

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: DECISION GRANTING

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This is a decision on your petition under 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3), received in the Patent and Trademark Office on May 7, 2002, to convert the above identified application to a non-provisional application under 35 U.S.C. 111 (a) and 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3).

The petition is granted.

The application will be processed in the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) as a non-provisional application under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b), including the assignment of a new non-provisional application number.

The non-provisional application serial number is 09/905,715. The filing receipt for the non-provisional application will be mailed in due course.

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